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SUBJ: READINESS CHALLENGE VIII (RC VIII) CALL FOR MAJCOM REPRESENTATIVE (REP)  
AND MAJCOM UNIT ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION

1. RECENT EVENTS RAISE THE QUESTION WHETHER OR NOT RC VIII CAN BE SUPPORTED BY THE USAF AND THE INTERNATIONAL TEAMS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE COMPETITION. A DECISION WILL BE MADE NLT 29 NOV 01 ON WHETHER THE COMPETITION WILL OCCUR NEXT SPRING OR BE DELAYED. UNTIL THAT DECISION IS MADE, PLANNING AND PREPARATION WILL CONTINUE.

2. THIS MESSAGE PROVIDES BASIC INFORMATION REGARDING GENERAL PLANNING, DUTIES OF THE RC VIII MAJCOM REP, UNIT ELIGIBILITY AND THE UNIT SELECTION PROCESS FOR RC VIII.

3. GENERAL. THE NEXT BIENNIAL PREMIER INTERNATIONAL WARSKILLS COMPETITION WILL TENTATIVELY BE HELD AT TYNDALL AFB FL 18-27 APR 02. PERSONNEL SUPPORTING CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS (PERSCO) WILL BE PARTICIPATING FOR THE FIRST TIME. THE CHAPLAIN SERVICE AND THE USAF ACADEMY WILL NOT BE PARTICIPATING. TEAMS WILL BE COMPOSED OF 1 OFFICER, 18 PRIME BEEF, 6 PRIME RIBS, 2 PERSCO AND 3 ALTERNATES FROM ANY SPECIALTY FOR A TOTAL OF 30 COMPETITORS. THE INTERNATIONAL INVITATION LIST HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO INCLUDE POSSIBLE TEAMS FROM CANADA, JAPAN, NORWAY, GERMANY AND THE UNITED KINGDOM. OBSERVERS ARE EXPECTED FROM AUSTRALIA, FRANCE, GERMANY, GREECE, ISRAEL, ITALY, JAPAN, THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE AND TURKEY.

4. MAJCOMS SHOULD IDENTIFY AN RC VIII MAJCOM REP VIA A COORDINATED CE/SV/DP MSG OR EMAIL TO HQ AFCESA/CEXR AND INFO HQ AFSVA/SVO AND HQ AFPC/DPWR NLT 3 OCT 01. THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE RC VIII MAJCOM REP IS TO ENSURE THE WIDEST DISSEMINATION OF COMPETITION INFORMATION AT ALL APPLICABLE LEVELS WITHIN HIS/HER COMMAND/ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE. THE RC VIII MAJCOM REP IS ALSO RESPONSIBLE FOR OVERSIGHT OF PREPARING, TRAINING, EQUIPPING, BUDGETING AND FUNDING FOR THE TEAM. THE RC VIII MAJCOM REP WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT/ADMINISTRATION REQUIREMENTS OF THE DISTINGUISHED VISITORS FROM HIS/HER COMMAND. RC VIII MAJCOM REP TRAINING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN JAN 02 AT TYNDALL AFB. THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE SHOULD BE MADE AWARE THE RC VIII MAJCOM REP IS THE OVERALL TEAM REPRESENTATIVE AND CENTRAL FOCAL POINT FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE MAJCOM TEAM. THE MINIMUM GRADE SUGGESTED FOR THIS APPOINTMENT IS TSGT OR CIVILIAN EQUIVALENT FROM ONE OF THE CE/SV/DP MAJCOM FUNCTIONALS.

5. MAJCOMS SHOULD IDENTIFY ELIGIBLE AND NONELIGIBLE UNITS VIA MSG OR EMAIL TO HQ AFCESA/CEXR AND INFO HQ AFSVA/SVO AND HQ AFPC/DPWR NLT 8 NOV 01 FOR AFRC/ANG AND NLT 1 FEB 02 FOR ACTIVE DUTY UNITS. MAJCOMS HAVE COMPLETE DISCRETION OVER UNIT ELIGIBILITY REGARDLESS OF POSTURING OR SORTS RATING; HOWEVER, MAJCOMS MUST PROVIDE CRITERIA USED TO DETERMINE NONELIGIBILITY (EXAMPLE: WING/GROUP HAS CONTRACTED OUT CIVIL ENGINEERS AND SERVICES).

6. PERSONNEL SOURCING. ALL TEAM MEMBERS SHOULD BE ASSIGNED TO THE SAME WING/GROUP. IF FUNCTIONAL AREAS ARE NOT AVAILABLE FROM THE PRIMARY, TEAM MEMBERS MUST BE SOURCED FROM THE ALTERNATE WING. MAJCOMS STILL LACKING FUNCTIONAL EXPERTISE ARE TO ADVISE HQ AFCESA/CEXR FOR RESOLUTION.

7. TEAM SELECTION. RANDOM SELECTION OF PRIMARY AND ALTERNATE TEAMS, FROM MAJCOM LISTS OF ELIGIBLE UNITS, WILL TAKE PLACE AS FOLLOWS: AFRC AND ANG UNITS WILL BE SELECTED THE LAST WEEK OF NOV 01 AT THE CE WORLDWIDE CONFERENCE IN SAN ANTONIO TX. ACTIVE DUTY UNITS WILL BE SELECTED IN FEB 02 DURING THE NATIONAL ENGINEER'S WEEK LUNCHEON IN WASHINGTON DC. A TERTIARY TEAM FROM ACC WILL BE SELECTED TO SUPPORT THE 11TH WING.

8. COMPETITION BOOK. THE FIRST EDITION OF THE COMPETITION BOOK WILL BE POSTED ON 4 OCT 01 TO THE RC VIII WEBSITE, WHICH CAN BE ACCESSED VIA A LINK FROM THE HQ AFCESA WEBSITE LOCATED AT [WWW.AFCESA.AF.MIL](http://WWW.AFCESA.AF.MIL). MAJCOM QUESTION AND ANSWER WORKSHOPS WILL BE CONDUCTED IN DEC 01 AND MAR 02.

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10. THIS IS A COORDINATED HQ AFCESA, HQ AFSVA, HQ AFPC/DPRW MESSAGE.